

MITCHELL LEADS IN FUSION POLL

Gets Eleven Votes to Whitman's Ten and McAneny's Eight.

CONFUSION IN RANKS

The General Committee Votes Behind Closed Doors To-night.

SEABURY ALSO MENTIONED

McAneny in Fight to the End—Whitman Likely to Lead on First Ballot.

The fight on the fusion nominee for Mayor will be carried into the meeting of the general committee of 107 to-night. The executive committee, try as it would, could not come to a decision on the candidate yesterday. After many hours of day-long argument the committee members threw up their hands and agreed to disagree.

John Purroy Mitchell, whose candidacy was at the bottom of the heap last week, forced to the front in the long discussion, Charles F. Whitman, with the constant support of the Republican committeemen, kept second place, and Borough President McAneny, despite the fact that a majority of the committee still makes a secret of its belief that if elected he would make the best Mayor of the three, dropped to last place.

The vote was so close that the executive committee is expected to put three tickets before the general committee to-night. This is how the vote stood when the committee adjourned at 6 o'clock yesterday afternoon:

Votes:
For John Purroy Mitchell..... 11
For Charles F. Whitman..... 10
For George McAneny..... 8
Of the members of the executive committee, two were out of town. Of these William H. Hotchkiss is expected to throw his first vote to Mr. McAneny. The alternative, F. A. Wurzbach, a Progressive member from the Bronx, is supposed to be a Mitchell man.

The partisans of Mr. Whitman not on the committee refused last night to believe that Mr. Mitchell was in the lead. They said that their best information put Mr. Whitman in Mr. Mitchell's place, with the Collector second and Mr. McAneny third.

Expect Whitman in Lead To-night.

When the general committee meets to-night it is expected that Mr. Whitman will lead on the first ballot, with Mr. McAneny second and Mr. Mitchell third. The balloting will be close. McAneny supporters hope that the Borough President will come to the front on second and third votes, profiting from the antagonism between the Republican supporters of Mr. Whitman and Mr. Mitchell's Progressives.

The session of the executive committee yesterday followed two top-heavy conferences on Tuesday. The committee did not break up its second meeting until early yesterday afternoon. The partisans of the three candidates argued behind closed doors, but the waves of feeling swept out into the hallways with energy which indicated that the committee was again and again on the verge of disruption.

Timothy Healy, a Progressive and one of the labor members of the committee, led the fight for Mitchell. With coat off and sleeves rolled up he fought every advance made from the McAneny and Whitman camps. The Mitchell candidacy has been one of the curiosities of the fusion movement. Up to this week Mr. Mitchell has been looked upon as negligible. Healy's vote sometimes stood alone, with McAneny an easy leader of the bid.

The leaders of the McAneny fight in the committee on candidates and later in the executive committee were Joseph M. Price, chairman of the executive committee; Fred W. Stein and Edward M. Bassett of Brooklyn, who used to be a member of the Public Service Commission and admired Mr. McAneny's stand on the subway contract; Henry Moskowitz, though a Progressive, has also stood by the McAneny flag.

Henry L. Stimson, President Taft's Secretary of War and Col. Roosevelt's candidate for Governor in the Dix campaign, has backed Mr. Whitman's campaign from the beginning. With other old-time members of the committee he was determined to carry the fight before the general committee in the hope that Mr. Whitman's popularity would carry him through.

Little Change in the Vote.

When the committee closed its Tuesday night session the lineup on the three candidates was nearly what it was at the close of business yesterday afternoon. Mr. Mitchell led, so it was reported yesterday afternoon, with 13 votes. Mr. Whitman was second with 9 and Mr. McAneny third with 7.

William Jay Schieffelin, reputed to be a Whitman man, was at his home at 807 West 10th St. When he learned how the vote stood he took a train for New York City. He was here in time for the session yesterday. Mr. Hotchkiss was at a convention of insurance company officers in Vermont. He also was telegraphed for, but did not reach town in time to take part in the executive committee meeting yesterday.

Mr. Schieffelin's presence hitched the Whitman vote up a peg, and Wurzbach's absence explained a drop of one vote in the Mitchell column.

The committee both yesterday and on Tuesday took experimental votes on the assumption that Mr. McAneny was out of the race. Just before the meeting broke up on Tuesday night such a poll resulted in 15 votes for Mr. Whitman and 13 for Mr. Mitchell. On second thought, how-

BRITONS IGNORE PANAMA FAIR.

Great Britain Said to Have Sent Refusal to U. S. Ambassador.
WASHINGTON, July 30.—Word reached here to-night that Great Britain has declined the invitation extended by the United States to participate in the Panama-Pacific Exposition in 1915.

The message is said to have been conveyed by the British Government to United States Ambassador Page. No reason is given for the refusal.

H. F. McCORMICK, AIR COMMUTER

Uses Flying Boat From Residence to Office, 30 Miles.

CHICAGO, July 30.—Harold F. McCormick qualified to-day as the first American "aero commuter." In his new Curtiss flying boat Edith, named after Mrs. McCormick, he made his regular morning trip from his summer residence at Lake Forest to his office in this city. The trip of more than thirty miles was made in twenty-eight minutes.

Mr. McCormick was pleased with the performance of his new air craft, and declared that henceforth he intended to use the flying boat in preference to any other means of transportation to and from business, when weather conditions permit. Mr. McCormick after landing at Bryant Park on his arrival from Lake Forest said: "That will put my automobile out of business."

The flying boat was piloted by Charles C. Witmer, one of the crack Curtiss fliers. Rising from the lake in front of the McCormick residence at Lake Forest, Witmer took a straight course for the Chicago lake front and landed at the temporary hydroaeroplane slip at Grant Park. The atmospheric conditions were nearly perfect.

Mr. McCormick did not make the trip home in his flying boat, but permitted Cartmoun, John T. McCutcheon to make the return journey with Witmer.

THOUGHT VEDRINE AN ANGEL.

Crowd Gathers at Alzonne to See Jeanne d'Arc's Spirit.

Special Cable Dispatch to The Sun.
Paris, July 30.—The village of Alzonne, near Carcassonne, in the south of France, is astir at reports of a miracle which is being investigated by the church authorities of the district. The miracle is accepted by the populace on the strength of the assertions of little girls, some of whom contend that the spirit of Jeanne d'Arc appeared to them, others asserting that they saw the Virgin.

Thousands of fervent believers in the miraculous powers of the waters of Lourdes have left that place and swarmed into Alzonne. The field where the girls say they saw the visions is thronged with people and wine shops and garages are springing up on every side.

The aviator Vedrine gave the devout ones a shock to-day when he appeared in the air flying toward the field. A deadly silence fell over the throng in the field as the machine approached. It was thought that the angel was about to appear. Vedrine heard some one mutter that belief and responded with the cry, "No, it's only Jupiter."

PARK TURTLE IS 800 YEARS OLD.

Four Men Ride on His Back: Bites Cop's Club in Two.

The Central Park menagerie received a sea turtle yesterday that was referred to as the "Old Man of the Pacific." His age was said to be 800 years or a trifle over.

His age was figured out from the sixteen squares marked on the top of his shell. Each square was said to represent fifty years.

The turtle weighs 454 pounds and is 6 feet 8 inches long from tip of nose to tip of tail. He was brought here from the California coast on a tramp steamer and sold to Benjamin Katzenstein of 163 Second avenue, who thought it a prize for Central Park.

Two policemen and two menagerie keepers got upon the turtle's back when it arrived at the menagerie, and it carried them several yards.

A policeman poked him with his club and the turtle bit the club in two. His mouth is six inches across.

HEINZE IS SUED FOR \$1,110,252.

Edwin Gould and Others Bring Actions Against Copper Man.

Four suits aggregating \$1,110,252 were filed in the Supreme Court yesterday against F. Augustus Heinze. Judgment was asked for the amount named with interest from January 8, 1908. Two of the suits were brought by Edwin Gould, who asked \$900,284 in one action and \$39,966 in another. William Nelson Cromwell sued for \$154,000 and Richard Young asked \$115,252.

Complaints in the suits have been drawn and it was said at the office of Sullivan & Cromwell, the attorneys, that the firm was not ready to discuss the suits yet. It is understood that the actions are based on aid rendered by the plaintiffs to financial institutions in which Heinze was interested at the time of the panic of 1907.

WHITE SLAVE CASES CALLED.

Diggs and Caminetti Will Be Tried Next Tuesday.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 30.—Maury Diggs and Drew Caminetti pleaded not guilty to-day before United States District Judge Van Fleet to charges of conspiracy to violate the Mann act and of violating the act by transporting Marcia Warrington and Lola Norris from Sacramento to Reno, Nev.

Diggs assumed a defiant attitude but young Caminetti was very serious and evidently shrank from the spotlight cast upon him by his escapade. Their counsel, Marshall Woodworth, presented pleas to quash the indictments on purely technical grounds, which the Judge swept aside and set the trial for next Tuesday. Theodore Roche appeared for the Government.

KILLED BY AMERICAN'S AUTO.

William Peter of Paris Run Down Man in Switzerland.

Special Cable Dispatch to The Sun.
GENEVA, July 30.—William Peter, an American who resides in Paris, was on his way to Geneva by automobile from Chamblaz to-day when his car knocked down a Frenchman at Cluses. The man died in the hospital.

Peter and his chauffeur were arrested. Witnesses of the accident say the chauffeur was to blame.

WILSON GIVES NEWS THAT BRYAN HELD UP

Ambassador Impresses Senate Committee With His Views on Mexico.

WOULD RECOGNIZE HUERTA

Says Madero Was Murdered by Men Whose Friends He Had Executed.

WASHINGTON, July 30.—A new turn came to-day in the Mexican situation when Henry Lane Wilson, United States Ambassador to the southern republic, appeared before the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations.

Official Washington had practically eliminated Ambassador Wilson as a factor in the solution of the Mexican problem ever since it became known that his suggestions had received scant consideration from the President and Secretary of State Bryan, but to-day he came to the front with a bound. Facing a Senate committee which was strongly prejudiced against him, he retired after about three hours with most of the committeemen convinced that his was the only feasible plan thus far suggested for dealing with the Mexican situation.

Not only this, but members of the committee, Democrats as well as Republicans, were impressed to a surprising degree with the impartiality and fairness with which the Ambassador treated the situation. They came away from the committee room convinced that he is not a partisan of Huerta or any other faction in Mexico. Furthermore, the Senators left the conference with Mr. Wilson acknowledging that there was at least good reason to doubt whether Huerta really was responsible for the murder of Madero.

Altogether the testimony of the Ambassador before the Senate committee brought about a clearing of the atmosphere in regard to the Mexican situation such as had not occurred at any other time since the overthrow of the Madero regime.

It was reported that Ambassador Wilson appeared before the Senate against the wishes of both President Wilson and Secretary Bryan.

Bryan Had Seen Told.

But the favorable impression made upon the Senate committee by Mr. Wilson's plan for the recognition of the Huerta Government was not the only interesting development of the day. The Ambassador's examination by the Senate committee served to establish the fact that complete reports in regard to the Mexican situation had been made by him regularly to Secretary Bryan and that a possible solution of the Mexican problem. Members of the committee who and in vain sought to obtain detailed information on this subject from the State Department were astonished at the showing made by Ambassador Wilson. Several of them were inclined to resent the fact that Secretary Bryan had never informed them of the detailed reports made by Ambassador Wilson, while others were inclined to believe that Ambassador Wilson's statements served to substantiate the contention recently advanced that Mr. Bryan himself had not read the reports from Mexico and was densely ignorant of the entire situation.

Ambassador Wilson's plan for dealing with the Mexican situation as laid before the Senate committee provided for recognition by the United States upon the following conditions:

Plan for Recognition.

1. That a constitutional election be held in Mexico next October and that proper safeguards be adopted to insure a fair expression by the voters at the polls.

2. That pending claims of the United States against Mexico, including the Chamizal controversy and the Colorado river dispute, be adjusted on terms proposed by the United States.

3. That the pecuniary claims of American citizens and others be adjusted immediately through a commission and arrangements made for assuring payment within a reasonable time.

The plan proposed by Ambassador Wilson does not contemplate direct supervision by the United States over the Mexican elections. He believes that a fair election could be assured if the United States would insist as one of the conditions for recognizing the Huerta Government that the present Minister of the Interior be displaced and a man who believes in strict constitutional government be named in his stead. The Minister of the Interior has direct control over the election machinery, and Ambassador Wilson believes that a man could be selected who would handle this office in a way that would bring about an absolutely fair expression of the popular will in Mexico.

The plan which Ambassador Wilson would have this Government follow does not contemplate intervention except under the most extreme conditions, and then only as a matter of cooperation with Huerta to pacify the portions of the country that remain disorderly. Ambassador Wilson would not involve this matter of cooperation in the original proposal to Huerta. He does not believe it would be necessary for the United States to assist Huerta in pacifying the northern part of Mexico or, as Ambassador Wilson expressed it, the portion north of the 26th parallel which is now the scene of the principal disturbances.

With the Huerta Government recognized by the United States and able to obtain funds Ambassador Wilson believes it would be capable of handling the situation without any outside aid. In any proposition which the United States may make to Huerta Ambassador Wilson would leave this subject of military cooperation in a tentative state to be taken up only in the event that Huerta himself fails to restore order and security to life and property in the northern part of Mexico.

Ambassador Wilson in the course of his examination before the committee reviewed the complete history of the tur-

bulence in Mexico since the overthrow of the Madero regime.

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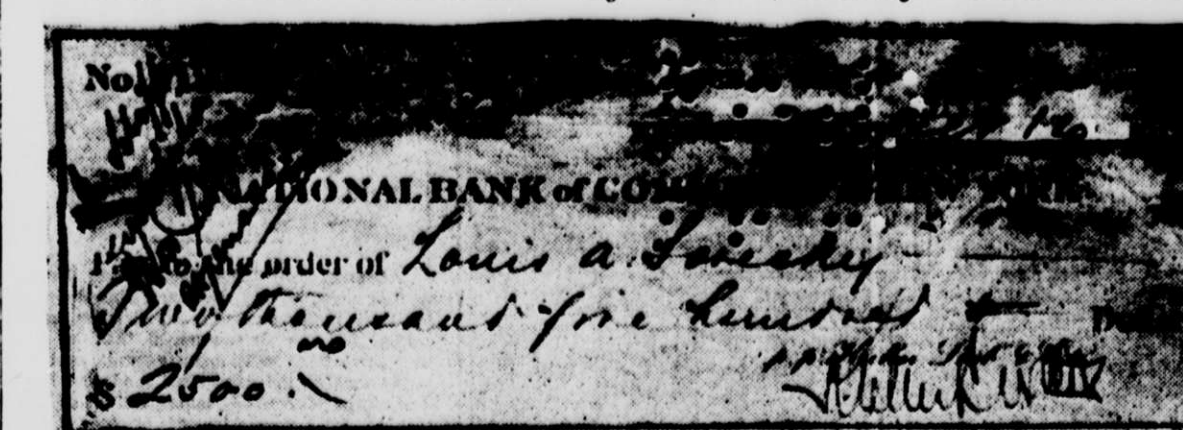
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The Check Produced by the Frawley Committee



Facsimile of Jacob H. Schiff's check, across the face of which is written "Mr. Schiff's contribution toward William Sulzer's campaign expenses."

GEM THEFT ARRESTS EXPECTED TO-DAY

Estimate of Losses at Pier Has Been Raised to More Than \$225,000.

INSIDE WORK THE THEORY

Looted Houses Surrounded and the Hotels and Railroad Stations Watched.

NARRAGANSETT PIER, July 30.—The private detectives who are working here on the robbery of Mrs. J. H. Hanan's jewels made the significant statement to-night that at least three suspects are within their net and that arrests may be expected to-morrow.

Further than that they declare that every one of the stolen articles will be recovered and restored to their rightful owner. To-night both the Hanan and Lumsey cottages are surrounded by private officers and the servants of each place are under the strictest surveillance.

One theory to-day was that the thefts were engineered by a person who has access as a guest to the most exclusive homes here. Who this person may be there is not the slightest hint so far. The local police, at least, are laying stress on the theory in their investigations because, they say, it best explains the ease with which the robberies were done. It is considered probable by those holding this view that the master thief who made the arrangements for the thefts selected the property to be taken and provided for his disposition has servants in the larger homes at the pier, who keep him posted regarding the movements of the intended victims and who may assist in the actual thefts.

In each of the three robberies reported as occurring between Friday night and Sunday night the thieves knew just what they wanted, where it was to be found and the exact time when it could best be obtained.

Mrs. Rumsey's Loss \$100,000.

Estimates of the amount of the loss sustained by Mrs. Charles Cary Rumsey, daughter of the late E. H. Harriman, in the robbery of her home on Ocean road, have climbed from the \$75,000 originally given here to-day to a second string of pearls belonging to Mrs. Rumsey was taken, as well as the larger sapphire which was given to her by her mother as a wedding gift. The smaller string is valued at \$40,000.

In addition to the necklaces and other larger jeweled pieces several less valuable articles were taken, including a small platinum and gold purse, which was in the diamond and sapphire studded gold mesh bag; a gold fountain pen, gold pencil and gold vanity box. A Greek coin kept in the small purse as a pocket piece, and stolen with the purse is said to be very rare. No estimate of its value has been made.

It was reported here early this morning that several other large robberies had taken place within the past week and were being kept secret so that the detectives might have full opportunity to do their work. No definite information as to the names of the houses mentioned by the police was given, but it was said that the police force to guard the summer homes, as was done last summer. It is believed that such a force will be established within a few days.

Houses Fairly Barricaded.

Some of the larger houses are fairly barricaded against burglars now and servants are kept under much closer scrutiny. The night force of the local police department consists of only three men and their beats do not extend to many of the larger cottages.

There are at least ten private detectives from the Burns and Pinkerton agencies in town. One of these said to-night that he had a clue which he believed was the correct key to the mystery. He said he thought he would reach a solution within twenty-four hours. He would not give any information as to the nature of his discovery.

Mrs. Hanan added some details to-day to the statement she made over the long distance telephone to THE SUN last night. She said that her room, from which the jewels were taken, adjoined the room where Mr. Hanan is ill. A male nurse is attending Mr. Hanan. Neither Mr. Hanan nor the nurse heard any sound in Mrs. Hanan's room at the time the robbery is supposed to have been committed.

Had Jewels for Reception.

Mrs. Hanan said that she would not have had so much jewelry at the pier had it not been that she expected to give a reception to Gov. and Mrs. Pothier. In previous seasons she has left much of the jewelry now missing in a safe deposit vault in New York. After bringing the

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ALARM FELT AT NEWPORT.

Women Are Sending Their Jewels to Safe Deposit Vaults.

NEWPORT, July 30.—The two big jewel robberies at the pier and the robbery of Mr. and Mrs. Percy D. Haughton's bathroom at Gould Island here caused alarm among the women of the social colony here, especially the possessors of valuable jewels.

Some of them do not intend to take chances of a visit of thieves here and it became known to-day that they were quietly sending their best jewels to safe deposit vaults.

A number of detectives were here to-day and the police were keeping an eye upon all incoming and outgoing boats and trains. Watchmen on the summer estates have been instructed to be alert.

MOTORCYCLE RACER KILLED.

Machine's Tank Explodes and Two Spectators May Die.

CINCINNATI, July 30.—During the motor cycle races to-night at the Lagoon, across the river in Kentucky, Colin Johnson, captain of the Cincinnati road team, ran with his machine into the upper fence of the course. The oil tank of the machine exploded and burning oil fell over dozens of persons in the stands.

Johnson was killed, and two spectators were burned so severely that their deaths are expected. Nine others were seriously burned and over twenty sustained less serious injuries.

The accident was followed by a fearful panic among the 1,500 or more spectators in the wooden stand. Women, their clothes aflame, rushed heading through the narrow passageways until forcibly thrown down and dived off the burning ramparts. Others tore off their burning clothing and had to find shelter until they could be provided with sufficient apparel to be taken home.

WANT MAGAZINES CENSORED.

Mrs. Grannis and Others Complain to Postmaster-General.

WASHINGTON, July 30.—Postmaster-General Burleson has been asked by Mrs. Elizabeth B. Grannis, head of a New York purity league, to note the character of sex literature that is being published in some of the most prominent magazines. Another specific complaint has come from another woman who objects to the manner in which her sex is dealt with in current fiction and the charge is made that a good deal of it is too obscene for publication.

In one of the complaints, it was learned to-day, fiction articles that have been printed in three well known weekly publications are complained of and the Postmaster-General is asked to read some of the articles and warn the publishers that they will have to draw the line in the future.

It was said at the Postmaster-General's office that there had been a complaint against another well known publication because of certain pictures, but none of the details could be obtained. One of the complainants is Miss Jane Sted of New York.

ELEPHANTS WRECK A CIRCUS.

Stampede in Storm at Winnipeg and Tear Up the Tents.

WINNIPEG, July 30.—Half of the Sells-Floto circus was wrecked this morning when an electrical storm stampeded the circus elephants. After breaking loose from their keepers the big animals tore canvas from many tents, smashed the main entrance and went through the smaller buildings in the neighborhood, wrecking them.

Returning they broke into the main tent and reduced the seats to splinters. The entire working force of the circus, wielding pitchforks and other weapons, was immediately to subdue the elephants.

The police department was rushed to the scene but remained at a discreet distance until the beasts were subdued.

SHANK TO GET 45 BEE STINGS.

Indianapolis Mayor Hopes to Be Cured of Rheumatism.

INDIANAPOLIS, July 30.—Mayor Lewis Shank, who has been suffering from rheumatism for several weeks, will try the stings of honey bees as a cure. Forty-five stings are expected to give him permanent relief. Frank Johnson, who has a bee farm near the city, guaranteed to-day a perfect cure, with no charge for the bees.

The treatment will be made at Johnson's farm, where forty-five bees will be let loose in a closed room with the Mayor. Only his face and hands will be protected.

PATIENT LEAPS OFF FERRYBOAT.

He Jumps Into East River on Way From Sanitarium.

Thomas Kelly, 54 years old, of 1250 Second avenue, was being taken from a Long Island sanitarium to his home last night by his wife, Margaret, when he jumped from a cabin window of the Long Island ferryboat Manhattan Beach into the East River.

Mrs. Kelly faintly at the cry of "man overboard." The ferryboat maneuvered in midstream in an effort to find Kelly, but did not. An Erie tugboat coming down the river picked the man up and landed him at the Thirty-fourth street dock. He was taken to Bellevue.

GREAT BEAR SPRING WATER.

No. 1000 of 5 glass stoppered bottles.—40c.

SULZER'S FUND GOES UP \$3,000

That Sum Not Included in Sworn Statement of Governor.

SCHIFF-ELKUS CHECKS

Frawley Committee Orders Arrest of Sarecky, Governor's Ex-Secretary.

CONTEMPT IS CHARGED

Refuses to Answer Many Questions in Absence of Counsel.

HE BANKED SULZER MONEY

Governor Now Declares That Leader Murphy Received Big Contributions.

Auto Leaps Over Curb.

On the sidewalk between 225th and 226th streets Charles Roods of 639 East 235th street stood beside a baby carriage in which was his daughter Emily, only one month old. The child's mother was in a store and the husband was waiting for her.

Suddenly the car driven by Decio veered to the left, leaped over the curb and crashed down upon the baby carriage. With no apparent slackening of its speed it lurched along the sidewalk to 225th street. There it struck Robert Scott, 40 years old of 3735 Oldville avenue, The Bronx. He was lifted from his feet and hurled through the air into a vacant lot at the corner. The machine came tumbling after him, leaped over and lay a broken mass.

Capt. McCune, racing down the sidewalk, leaped over the dead body of the baby and the half-conscious father. He got to the wrecked machine in time to grab Decio. The man who was riding in the machine with him scuttled away in the darkness.

As the Captain was yanking Decio out of the debris he noticed the second machine backing up slowly. Sullivan had put on his brakes when Decio hit the baby carriage and was returning to see what had happened. He was arrested.

Meanwhile an ambulance had been summoned from Fordham Hospital. The surgeon said the infant had been killed instantly. The father's left leg was broken and he was badly bruised. The mother came out of the store with others when she heard the crash and was overcome at the sight of her dead child.

Decio at Hospital.

Scott was unconscious when placed in the ambulance and died before anything could be done for him at the hospital. His body was terribly crushed.

Crozier Hoely was not far off and he ordered that Decio be booked on a charge of homicide and that Sullivan be charged as an accessory. Decio said he did not know the name of the man who had been in the machine with him. He also refused to answer questions in regard to the accident. Both he and Sullivan were locked up.

MAN'S SPINAL COLUMN IS RESET.

Third Operation at Philadelphia to Try to Save a Life.

PHILADELPHIA, July 30.—John Kidd, a thirty-three-year-old mechanic, was operated on to-day for the third time for a broken back at the University Hospital. Dr. Spiller and Prof. Charles H. Frazer attempted the difficult feat of resetting a part of the vertebrae to remove the pressure on the spinal cord. It will not be known for some time whether or not the operation was successful.

Fifteen days ago Kidd fell from a trestle, and his injuries, the doctors say, would have killed an ordinary man.

MORE VOTING BY THE YARD.

Seventeen Foot Ballot for Democrats in 22d Assembly District.

The Twenty-third Assembly district is not the only one to be graced with a wall-paper ballot in the coming Democratic primaries. The ballot in the Thirty-second district ought to measure up to seventeen feet, and in the Thirty-fourth Democratic voters will have a sixteen foot ballot.

The Republicans have adopted the election district as a unit, so Republican voters will have ballots of workable size.

Carmody's Opinion.

Attorney-General Carmody's opinion is expected within a few days and will, it was said to-night, hold against the Governor in all the points he has raised. In that event if Sarecky should still persist